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Dear Mr. Lamb,

Since I go to work, this is the first time I have had a chance to view part of your program.

I find that the one issue rarely written about or discussed is the issue of "Free Trade". The reason for the quotation mark is that I do not believe that the public at large has any understanding of this issue.

There is no free trade as far as it applies to the U.S.A.. As you can probably guess by my address, we are living very comfortably and this is not a self-serving letter.

As you well know, the world uses us as a dumping ground and is very strict when it comes to accepting our goods. You also realize the ~~the~~ government is perfectly happy to give away our labor intensive products and using them as a bargaining chips.

No matter how you feel concerning the French I must admire their patriotism. (I know a lot of Frenchmen due to my business travels through the years. (I'm 63 years old). The French would rather buy a French car, even if inferior or higher priced in order to keep its workers on the job. Their neighbors do not look upon them kindly when they buy foreign products, ergo public pressure. It goes down the line from cars, to clothes, to food.

We in the U.S.A. will always produce people that will never be able to hold down a job or get started unless they can find a job producing shoes, clothing, fabrics, brooms,



umbrellas, plastics, hairbrushes, you name it.

At the rate we are going, more & more of them will be needing assistance and higher education will be of no use to them. (I omit the fact that English (basic reading, writing and speaking is an ultimate must) I spoke no English when I arrived in this country and believe me, no one had great sympathy. I even took elocution lessons. I received my culture at home not in school. I became an American and I became assimilated. This is the country of my choice.

If the lack of assimilation continues and if we keep importing (which will always be cheaper since we do not want our workers living in huts with dirt floors and starving) the outcome will be wider sidewalks. The homeless will multiply like rabbits.

We speak about our free press. Free press? Our papers and TV control our people in the same way as in a dictatorship.

Those of us who think and get around knew the Russians were no threat. Multitudes were stunned when the curtain was raised and there was nothing behind it. It goes for all our other attitudes as well.

The press could do a tremendous favor to our economy if they spend some of their time explaining to our people that only patriotism and support of our small industries, including mom & pop stores, are the only things that will help raise us back up to the country we were and can be. Charity begins at home. We are infants in foreign policy. We got into it after World War II and the end of isolationism. Communication and air travel made us one small world. The rest of the world has been in foreign policy since year one. They laugh at us. Not in our faces since we are the goose that lays the golden egg, but behind our backs.

Should you have a program on this issue in the future please send me a copy.

Sincerely,